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JAP REPLY READY

ANSWER TO PROTEST AGAINST ALIEN LAND LAWS APPROVED BY CABINET.

BOTH DOCUMENTS A SECRET

Their Publication in Both Countries Simultaneously Is Being Arranged for, Following Gov. Johnson's Signing Bill Which Caused Imbroglio.

Washington, May 19.—With the expectation that the federal government will defend the Californians against the Japanese protests against the anti-alien legislation adopted by the Pacific state's legislature and with the American reply to that complaint ready for transmission to the Japanese embassy here, the seriousness of the situation will now largely depend the reception which will be accorded the answer by the Japanese public as well as to the protest which called it forth.

Neither of these documents is ready for publication, though arrangements are already under way for their simultaneous publication here and in Japan. The reply of the United States has been prepared, and was discussed at length Friday at the cabinet meeting.

Neither the president nor Secretary of State Bryan will discuss either the terms of the protest or the reply, or the probable time at which the latter will be transmitted to Ambassador Chinda. It is believed, however, that the reply will not be sent until Governor Johnson has actually affixed his signature to the bill which has caused all the trouble.

Just how serious the situation is, no one in authority here will discuss. But the mystery which has enveloped the present state of the negotiations has given rise to a general feeling of apprehension, as well as to all reports of speculations concerning the attitude of the two governments.

Secretary Bryan feels that the situation is exceedingly delicate, and seems to fear that agitation, both here and in Japan, that have nothing to do with the subject, may make a lot more trouble at any time.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRE

Tacoma, Wash., May 15.—Four persons were killed and seven seriously injured when a train on the Oregon-Washington line, bound from Portland to Seattle, was ditched near Lakeview Tuesday.

Hellgoland, Germany, May 16.—Four German bluejackets were killed and three others seriously injured Wednesday by the explosion of a cylinder in the engine room of torpedo boat "S-148."

New York, May 17.—There is no agreement or understanding of any kind to fix prices in the steel industry, James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel corporation, testified at the hearing Thursday in the federal suit to dissolve the corporation as an illegal combination.

Munich, Bavaria, May 15.—Gen. von Lewinski, the Prussian military attaché to Bavaria, was killed here Tuesday by a supposed lunatic.

Springfield, Mo., May 15.—Harry Dismah and Lewis Johnson, the sixteen-year-old convicted murderers who escaped from the city jail and were at liberty six hours before being recaptured, were sent to the state penitentiary at Jefferson City, but not before they had attempted to set fire to the jail.

Atlanta, Ga., May 17.—Ecclesiastical politics were rebuked by the general assembly of the Northern Presbyterian church Thursday when Rev. John W. Stone of Chicago was chosen moderator by an overwhelming majority.

JOHNSON MAY FIGHT AGAIN

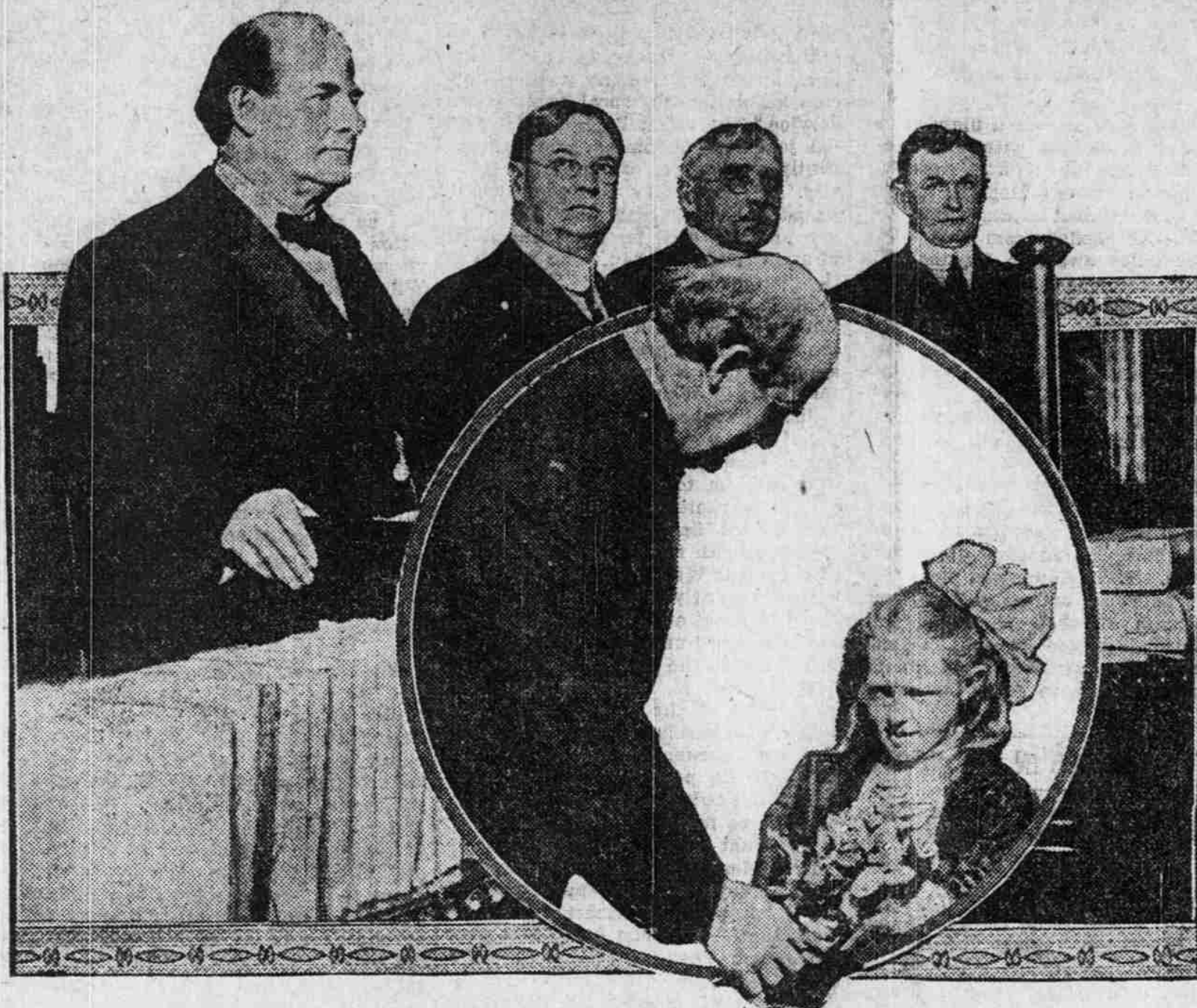
Manager of Luther McCarthy Seeks Match With Convicted Negro Pugilist.

Chicago, May 17.—If Federal Judge Carpenter, in whose court Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist, was convicted of violating the white slave law, will consent, Johnson and Luther McCarthy, white heavyweight champion of the world, will meet. Arrangements for the match were agreed to by Billy McCarney, manager of the white champ, and Johnson.

Johnson said that his statement of a few days ago that he was "broke" was absolutely true. He said he needed money now worse than he had ever needed it. When asked if he would meet Luther McCarthy, he showed his gold teeth, and said he would be glad of the chance to share the gate receipts of a championship battle.

"The only thing that stands in the way," said Johnson, "is the consent of Judge Carpenter."

SECRETARY BRYAN ADDRESSING CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE



A remarkable photograph taken during Secretary Bryan's recent visit to California to attempt to influence the legislature to conform to President Wilson's views in relation to the proposed alien land law. On the left of Secretary Bryan are: Governor Johnson, Lieutenant Governor Wallace and Speaker Young. The insert shows Secretary Bryan receiving flowers from Eveline E. Meger.

MANY DIE IN BLASTS

SCORES INJURED AND MANY FLEE MINING DISTRICTS.

Anxiety Is Caused Among Workers of Three States by Explosions Which Began a Week Ago.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 17.—Much anxiety is being caused in western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland by numerous explosions of dynamite and powder coupled with attempts to blow up heavily filled magazines and a searching investigation into the matter seems warranted.

A dozen persons have been killed, scores have been injured, some fatally; much property has been ruined and hundreds of people have been so frightened that they have left the vicinity.

Beginning Saturday, May 10, when 500 sticks of dynamite exploded in the magazine of the Sunshine Coal and Coke company's mine near Mazonia, Pa., resulting in the death of four and injury of twoscore, and ending Wednesday with the explosion of 1,700 pounds of dynamite and seventy kegs of powder stored in the magazine of the Consolidated Coal company at Eckhart, Md.

Last Monday an attempt was made to blow up a passenger train at Leckrone, Pa. A track-walker found nine sticks of dynamite under the joints of the rails of the Monongahela railroad. Within seventy-five yards of the railroad was located the plant of the Cameron Powder company, containing 20,000 pounds of powder and 500 pounds of dynamite.

In a premature explosion of dynamite at Parkersburg Tuesday, five men were blown into a stream.

TARIFF HEARINGS ARE DENIED

Senate Defeats Motion to Permit Public to Express Their Views on Underwood Bill.

Washington, May 19.—The Penrose-La Follette motion instructing the senate finance committee to hold public hearings on the Underwood tariff bill was lost by a vote of 41 to 36. Two Democrats, Senators Ransdell and Thornton of Louisiana, voted with the Republicans, while Senator Poindexter of Washington registered his ballot with the Democrats.

This motion has held up consideration of the Underwood bill for more than a week and its defeat came up as a climax to an exciting debate during which Senators La Follette, Smoot, Gallinger, Jones and Clark of Wyoming flayed the Democrats for ordering secret conferences on the bill. Senators Simmons, Smith of Georgia, Walsh and James, Democrats, upheld the action of their party.

Scheff Decree Is Signed. New York, May 19.—A final decree of divorce to Fritz Scheff, freeing the actress from John Fox, Jr., her novelist husband, was signed by Supreme Court Justice Keogh at White Plains Friday. The suit was not contested.

NAVY PLANS STOLEN

SENSATION CAUSED BY THEFT OF DOCUMENTS AS TO DREAD-NOUGHT.

DETECTIVES ARE AT WORK

No Clue Is Yet Discovered of Thieves Who Took Papers Relative to Giant Battleship Pennsylvania Two Months Ago.

Washington, May 15.—A sensation was caused in navy circles Tuesday when the disclosure was made that important plans, some of which relate to the new dreadnought Pennsylvania have been stolen from the department.

It can be said on reliable authority that the thefts began two months ago and that, despite the activity of secret service men, the Burns' detective agency and the police, no clue to the thief has been discovered. The heads of the department are disturbed, not knowing what document may go next.

According to the information available at this time the loss of the documents began to be noticed in February. Most of the thefts have been comparatively insignificant, relating to the manual of the department and similar documents. When, however, plans for some of the work on the new giant battleship disappeared the situation became so serious that steps had to be taken by the department to search for the perpetrator.

Outside aid was called in and for weeks under the pretense of a change of administration detectives have been slipped into clerical positions in most of the bureaus of the department and persons known to have handled the missing documents have been under the closest surveillance.

Knowledge of the situation came out through an inadvertent disclosure by one of the detectives. The department itself refused to say anything on the subject, but it is understood it may lift the lid later.

Building of the dreadnought Pennsylvania, part of the details and minor plans of which have been taken, was authorized by the last congress. It has been designed to displace 31,000 tons and will carry an armament of 34 heavy guns, exceeding in gun power the battleships of any other nation.

It is understood here that special surveillance has been established over the bureau of construction and repair, headed by Naval Constructor Watt, and the bureau of ordnance, of which Rear Admiral N. C. Twining is the head. The missing plans are said to have been traced to both of these bureaus, but which one had them last has not been ascertained.

Sulzer Vetoes Compensation Bill. Albany, N. Y., May 19.—Governor Sulzer Friday vetoed the Foley-Walker workmen's compensation bill, which has been vigorously opposed by organized labor.

DENIES BRIBE CHARGE

ATTORNEY ANHUT REFUTES DR. RUSSELL'S ALLEGATION.

Declares Thaw Retained Him to Work Up Another Case With Fee of \$25,000.

New York, May 19.—John Nicholson Anhut, the attorney charged with offering a \$25,000 bribe to secure the release of Harry K. Thaw from Matteawan, appeared as a witness in his own behalf on Friday, and emphatically denied that he offered Dr. John W. Russell \$20,000 to release Thaw and that he was to receive \$5,000 for his own services.

Anhut declared that Thaw retained him to work up another case and gave him a contingency fee of \$25,000, half of which was to be returned to Thaw if he was not released by January 1, and the other half on July 1 of this year if Anhut had not secured Thaw's release by that time.

Under cross-examination Dr. Russell admitted that he had not told the truth when he testified before the investigating committee at Albany that he did not remember the name of the man who he alleged offered him the bribe.

New York, May 17.—Harry K. Thaw, brought from the Matteawan Asylum for the Insane by the prosecution as the first witness Thursday in the trial of John N. Anhut, indicted for bribery in connection with the attempt to secure Thaw's release for \$20,000, testified that he had agreed to pay Dr. John W. Russell, then superintendent of the asylum, \$20,000 to release him, and that Dr. Russell had taken him to the door of the asylum and told him to go. Thaw testified that he refused this opportunity to escape from the asylum, because he did not believe it legal.

SEVENTEEN DIE IN STORM

Twenty-five Others Are Hurt at Seward, Neb.—Several Small Towns Are Wiped Out.

Omaha, Neb., May 16.—Nebraska was storm swept again Wednesday evening and many people were killed and injured in cyclones in different sections of the state.

At Seward, Neb., seventeen people were killed and twenty-five were wounded. Staplehurst, a small town seven miles from Seward, is reported as having been wiped off the map. At McCool many homes were destroyed, but there were no deaths.

Omaha and South Omaha were hit by a strong windstorm, but there was nothing in the way of a cyclone. Less than one dozen houses were wrecked and there was no deaths.

Lushton, Neb., a small town near Seward, is reported completely destroyed.

Old Music Hall Queen Dead. Paris, May 17.—Emma Valladon, once world famous as Theresa, queen of the Parisian music halls, died Thursday. For many years she was the idol of the boulevards and numbered her admirers by the score.

PRESBYTERIANS

OF SOUTHERN BRANCH SELECT DR. J. SPROLE LYONS OF LOUISVILLE AS HEAD.

1,500 Commissioners From Northern, United and Associated Reformed Church in Attendance.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Louisville, Ky.—Election of moderators by the commissioners of the Northern and Southern Presbyterian churches, with a totally unexpected choice in the case of the former, featured the session of the Presbyterian assemblies in session at Atlanta.

Dr. John Timothy Stone, of the Fourth Presbyterian church, Chicago, was elected moderator of the Northern body, and Dr. J. Sprole Lyons, of the First Presbyterian church, Louisville, was chosen moderator by the Southern organization. All three of the assemblies in session here have now selected moderators, the United Presbyterian taking this action when Dr. R. M. Russell, of New Wilmington, Pa., was chosen.

With the elimination of this feature of the organization's work interest now centers in the "Pan-Presbyterian Pentecostal" meetings, the first of which was held. More than 1,500 commissioners from the Northern, the Southern, the United and the Associate Reformed churches were present at the first joint assembly ever held in the history of the organization.

BOX PLANT IN RUINS.

Louisville, Ky.—As a result of a fire the local plant of the Louisville & New Albany Box and Basket Co., located at Thirty-fifth and Bank streets, is in ruins. Only a few walls, ready to fall, remained standing after the flames had raged for several hours. Two large two-story buildings, a large one-story shed and another shed in which the engines were located were consumed. The damage, according to Charles Schwartzel, president of the company, will reach \$12,000. The insurance is \$6,000.

TODD COUNTY FAIR DATES.

Elkton, Ky.—At a meeting of the directors of the Todd County Fair association the following officers were elected: Dr. H. T. McKinney, president; R. E. Boone, vice president; B. L. Renick, secretary; M. W. Gill, assistant secretary; Coleman E. Gill, treasurer. The association contemplates erecting an addition to the grandstand and laying off a quarter-mile track for trotting races. This year's meet will be held on October 2, 3 and 4.

GREAT CARNIVAL.

Danville, Ky.—The greatest carnival in the history of Central university will begin Tuesday, May 22, when the curtain rises for the first act of "The Ulster," the carnival play. Another feature is the dance which will be held on Friday, May 23. On Saturday, May 24, the big floral parade, led by the queen on her magnificent float, will take place. On Saturday evening gala festivities on the campus begin.

WOMAN IS ELECTED TRUSTEE.

New Castle, Ky.—The reports from recent school elections in Henry county show that one woman, and only one, was elected to the office of trustee. Mrs. B. C. Pearce, of New Castle, is the woman so honored. Mrs. Pearce was not a candidate, but the local School Improvement league, composed almost exclusively of women, nominated her and then secured her election.

WOMAN GIVEN BIG JUDGMENT.

Cloverport, Ky.—Mrs. Lillian C. Neilson, formerly of this city, was rendered a judgment of \$8,600 against the Tar Springs sanitarium. The litigation grew out of a mortgage given to Mrs. Neilson by William A. Montgomery, of Chicago, and others, who had exchanged 1,800 acres of land in Michigan for the sanitarium and notes for the balance.

PARENT-TEACHERS ELECT.

Winchester, Ky.—The Parent-Teachers' association held an important meeting to elect officers and outline plans for the ensuing year. Mrs. W. T. Fox, who was chosen to fill out the unexpired term of Mrs. C. H. Dietrich, was elected president; Mrs. J. Russell Crawford was made vice president; Mrs. Anna Turley secretary, and Miss Sue Scribner treasurer.

HENRY C. BRECKINRIDGE



Henry C. Breckinridge was recently appointed assistant secretary of war. He is the son of Maj. Gen. J. C. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, and is about thirty years old. He is a lawyer and a graduate of Princeton.

VEGETABLES FOR CHICAGO.

Louisville, Ky.—Strawberry special trains operated by the American Express Co. over the Monon railroad to carry the products of fields near New Albany, Ind., to the Chicago market will carry also cars of vegetables out of Louisville to Chicago. The vegetable cars will be taken to New Albany and will form a part of the strawberry train that leaves New Albany at night, arriving in Chicago in time for the early morning market. Cars of strawberries also will be picked up at St. Joseph, Bridgeport, Borden and Pekin. The strawberry specials will be put on the road between May 20 and 25, depending upon the weather. It is stated that probably after the close of the strawberry season a raspberry special will be put on by the company, running every other day from New Albany to Chicago.

RED MEN INCREASE DUES.

Lexington, Ky.—The great council of Kentucky Improved Order of Red Men adjourned after two days' session. It was resolved to hold the great council at Richmond in response to the invitation of Floating Canoe tribe, of that city. One of the most important actions taken at the session was the decision to increase the per capita annual dues of members from 90 cents to \$1.20, 40 cents of which is to be applied to the maintenance of the orphans of Red Men. Instead of 15 cents, which as heretofore been the per capita applied to that purpose. The propositions to establish an orphans' home and a home for infirm Red Men were left over until next year, after being discussed at some length.

OGDEN RE-ELECTS FACULTY.

Bowling Green, Ky.—At a meeting of the board of trustees and the regent of Ogden college, the present president and faculty were all re-elected for the coming year as follows: W. M. Pearce, president and professor of philosophy and history; Maj. W. A. Obenchain, professor of mathematics; S. A. Norcross, professor of science; P. I. Reed, professor of English and German; T. D. Lewis, professor of ancient languages and French. This year has been one of the most successful terms in the history of this institution. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered on Sunday morning, June 1, in the State Street Methodist church by its pastor, Dr. J. H. Young.

COAL LANDS ARE BOUGHT.

Whitesburg, Ky.—The Elkhorn Fuel Co., recently organized at Baltimore to make extensive developments in this county, has closed a deal with the Long Fork Coal Co. for several thousand acres of coal lands along the Letcher pike border. It is understood that this property will also be developed during the next 12 months, the work to be begun at once.

NO CELEBRATION THIS YEAR.

Elkton, Ky.—On account of the work now in progress on the Jefferson Davis Memorial park, at Fairview, there will be no celebration at the birthplace of the confederacy's president on the next anniversary date, June 3. Work on the new fence inclosing the park is now under way.